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## Press Release

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The Owners Of Countertops Plus Agree To Cease Doing Business In West Virginia Until Futher Notice Of The Court

On March 30, 2004, the State of West Virginia sued Christopher Scott Long, individually and doing business as Countertops Plus, and Cari Long, individually and doing business as Countertops Plus, alleging violations of the West Virginia Consumer Credit and Protection Act. W. Va. Code § 46A-1-1-1, et seq. In its complaint, the State sought an order temporarily restraining the defendants from engaging in the sale of counter tops and related merchandise in the State of West Virginia until such time that this matter was resolved. The State further sought refunds for all consumers, as well as civil penalties. A preliminary injunction hearing was scheduled before the Honorable Paul Zakaib for Friday, May 7, 2004.

The Longs have agreed to be preliminarily enjoined from conducting any commercial transactions or business of any kind, including, but not limited to, the advertising, sale or trade of goods and services to consumers, until further order of the court. The State will continue to negotiate relief for consumers.

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